New York State Department of Housing and Community Renewal

Albany, New York

Project Title New York State Department of Housing and Community

Renewal (DHCR) AFI Project

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AFI Grant Amount \$1,000,000

Nonfederal Support \$1,000,000

Project Period February 1, 2006 - January 31, 2011

Highlights The New York State Department of Housing and

Community Renewal AFI Project will serve upwards of 400

families throughout the State of New York who are

receiving Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers. Participants will save up to \$1,500 in Individual Development Accounts (IDA) and receive matching funds at a rate of \$4 for every \$1 saved. They will be encouraged to save additional funds in order to accumulate up to \$9,375. They will combine their IDA savings with their Housing Choice Vouchers for

home purchase.

The DHCR will oversee administration of this AFI Network project through partnerships with nonprofit Public Housing agency administrators serving more than 50 localities.

Target Population Low income New York State residents who are Section 8

Homeownership program participants.

Grantee/Collaborative Description DHCR is a statewide public housing agency that administers

more than a dozen state and federally funded housing and community development programs for predominantly low to moderate income individuals and families. The Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program is one of its major programs. The agency will partner with Chase Bank to

implement this project.